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Commercial item: Uncle Sam has tendered England another note for exchange.

Speaking about one thing and another, how like to spend a few months next week in Brownsville, Texas!

Local item: This morning we saw a road scraper on Main street going north, but it hasn't returned yet.

You know we all like baseball hereabouts, but when it comes to having a team of our own: nobody home.

It has ceased to worry us in the least, but our prognostication regarding the Deutschland's departure is still good.

"Government to Stop Bad Egg Supplicants."—Headline. Uncle Sam is probably trying to cut out some of the rotten business.

"Rivers are not the only things that fall after they get full."—Charlotte News. No, and they are not the only things that come up after it is down.

Referring to the war t'other day a youngster was heard to remark that the Germans are ketchinell on all sides.

As the time approaches for Virginia to dry up, we hear no sad wails and see no tearful eyes hereabouts. The quality of the stuff, they say, is awful.

The papers say that Charlotte has five playgrounds for the kids. Being as how we have no suitable location here, Scotland Neck sends 'em off to the beach.

If the Germans can't find anywhere else to dock the Bremen, permit us to suggest that the captain route her up Roanoke River and drop anchor just off Palmyra.

If everybody showed half as much interest in the problems that confront their own town as they do in the baseball scores and war dope, we would have some town here 'fore long.

Although we have cautioned you about it, you still borrow your neighbor's paper and cheat the printer out of his just dues. Figuring it out, you spend \$25 worth of time to keep from taking a dollar publication. Of course, most humble sir, we are not talking to you, but the other fellow.

We have received an attractive illustrated circular of 16 pages from the Agricultural and Mechanical College. It presents a clear conception of the buildings, machine and laboratory equipment of the three engineering departments of the College. Parents and young men wishing copies should write to the Registrar at West Raleigh.

### THE MOTHER COUNTRY AGAIN.

The action of Great Britain in putting many American concerns on the "Black List," has aroused the ire of this government, and justly so. Just at this time when one of the allied nations is making a strong effort to float a loan in this country, and right upon the heels of our diplomatic victory over Germany in her submarine warfare, it would seem that the mother country is blinded to reason, and especially is she showing an inconspicuous hand. A note has been dispatched by this government protesting most vigorously against the act, which all supposedly intelligent and civilized countries view with much surprise. It looks like a "bite the hand that feeds" act to the American public.

### PHOTOGRAPHER MAY LOCATE HERE.

Mr. W. H. Baker of Washington, N. C., was here today, looking over the town with a view of locating a first-class photograph gallery here soon. Mr. Baker was the guest of friends while in the city.

### LIFE'S MASTERPIECE.

Love is life's masterpiece,  
Love with its will  
To lift to the sunny peaks  
Or toss down and kill—  
Love with its wonderment,  
Love with its beam,  
As those who are under it  
Walk in a dream.

Ah, what achievement  
Can mortal man make  
Richer than mastering  
Love for life's sake!  
Love, for its tenderness,  
Love for its light;  
Love for its loveliness,  
Love for its right!

Here where gray shadows walk,  
Here where there's sun  
After the clouds  
And the shadows are done,  
Love, as we choose it, sways,  
Love, sets the mark;  
Love is life's masterpiece,  
Lit for life's dark!

—Baltimore Sun.

### SALAMAGUNDI

**Big Mistake.**  
The Austrians deny that the Russians took 100,000 prisoners, claiming that the number was only 99,999.—Charlotte News.

**A La De Sota!**  
Too many of the female species make the mistake of thinking that youth can be purchased at the drugstore in little boxes.—Wilmington Dispatch.

**Late Dope.**  
And the Carranza soldiers have captured Villa's crutches and his carriage from which he has just taken flight on horseback.—Littleton News Reporter.

**Rubber Money.**  
By the time the Deutschland gets its cargo of rubber and gold back home, Germany ought to be in a position to boast of an elastic currency.—Charlotte News.

**Season for Sweat.**  
Frankness compels us to admit that Mr. ex-Justice Hughes' candidacy is going to make the Democratic administration perspire—but not expire.—Wilmington Dispatch.

**Gifted With Gab.**  
A fellow says he has never known it to fail that when he wanted to have a tete a tete with some pretty girl, some guy with legs like a pair of hames came up and got the best of him with his conversation.—Wilmington Star.

**Normal Again.**  
In Madison county, according to belated reports reaching Asheville, two men have been shot and one dangerously wounded with a knife within the past few days; from which we infer that the floods have passed, and that Madison is herself again.—Greensboro News.

**Slightly Related.**  
The New Bern Sun-Journal suggests that mayhap one of Kinston's citizens has a friend who knows a man who has seen the Deutschland. Why, shux, Bo, our office cat's best friend is first cousin to the grand father of the ship's mascot aunt.—Kinston News.

**A New Civil War.**  
Upon hearing some one say that Great Britain, Russia, France, Germany and Austria and many other nations shall have been engaged in a war for two years next Tuesday, an old colored woman exclaimed: "Good Gawd, ain't dem folks neber freed dey niggers yet!"—Wilmington Star.

### "OVERWORKED" (?) EMPLOYEES PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

You have heard of the guy who was looking for a job, enabling him to go to work at 12 o'clock and quit at 1 o'clock with an hour for dinner. But "Long Lines Traffic Doings" hands us one in the June issue that has that beat forty ways from Tuesday. When it comes to figuring schedules, time allowances and working averages they are on the job, and if they can get by with the load, we will not hesitate to adopt the same schedule, which is as follows:

There are 365 days in a year, divided into 8 hour periods—8 hours for sleep, 8 hours for recreation, and 8 hours for work.	365 days
Minus 122 deducted for sleep	243 days
Leaves 243 days	122 for recreation
Minus 122 for recreation	121 for work
Leaves 121 for work	52 Sundays in a year
Minus 52 Sundays in a year	69 days
Leaves 69 days	26 days half holiday Sats.
Minus 26 days half holiday Sats.	43 days
Leaves 43 days	28 days 1 Hr. Per. Day Lun.
Minus 28 days 1 Hr. Per. Day Lun.	15 days
Leaves 15 days	14 days two weeks vacation.
Minus 14 days two weeks vacation.	1 day—which is the fourth of July."

### PRESIDENT SIGNS RIVERS AND HARBORS BILL

Washington, July 27.—President Wilson today signed the Rivers and Harbors bill, appropriating approximately \$42,000,000 for the continuance of old projects and starting some new ones.



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### MEASURING THE MISSISSIPPI.

One of the basic lines of activity of the United States Geological Survey is the measurement of the flow of the rivers of the United States. This work was begun by the survey in 1888 in connection with special studies of water irrigation, and since 1885 the bills passed by Congress appropriating money for the work of the Survey have carried an item "for gaging streams." Measurements of flow have been made at about 3,400 points in the United States and at many points in small areas in Seward Peninsula and the Yukon-Tanana region, Alaska, and in the Hawaiian Islands. Numerous private and State organizations have cooperated in the work either by furnishing data or by providing financial assistance in collecting data. In July, 1914, about 1,480 gaging stations were being maintained by the Survey and the cooperating organizations, and many measurements of discharge were made at other points.

A report just issued on the lower Mississippi River basin Water-Supply Paper 387, which forms Part VII of the annual series entitled "Surface water supply for the United States," gives the results of cooperative work between the Federal Survey and the States of Colorado and New Mexico. The records presented include descriptions of stations on Arkansas and Red rivers and their tributaries in the states of Colorado, New Mexico, and Oklahoma at which measurements were made, and tables of daily gage heights and daily and monthly discharge. An appendix to the report gives a list of the gaging stations that have been maintained by the Survey, from 1855 to 1914, on streams discharging into the Mississippi below the mouth of the Ohio, and a list of the Survey publications relating to water resources in the area.

Owing to its technical character the report lacks interest for the general reader, but it will be useful to engineers and others concerned in the utilization of the streams. Copies may be obtained without charge by applying to the Director, United States Geological Survey, Washington, D. C.

### HEAVY RAIN THIS AFTERNOON PROBABLY BROKE UP BALL GAME

A large crowd of fans from this point went over to Kelford today to witness the ball game between that town and Rocky Mount, Virginia League, club. Shields is pitching the game for Kelford.

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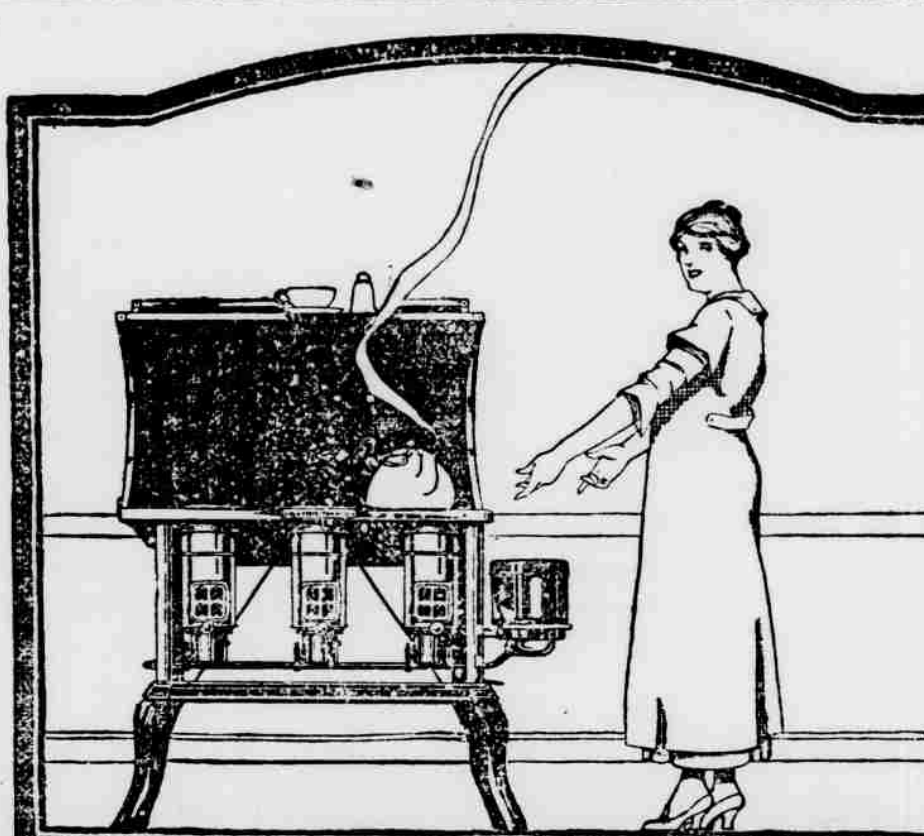
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